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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ERP/MONTONERO ALLEGED OPERATION AGAINST PROTECTIVE
PERSONNEL

1. ON AUGUST 7 A SOURCE WHICH HAS BEEN RELIABLE IN THE PAST ADVISED THE RSO AND LEGATT JOINTLY OF THE FOLLOWING: THE ERP/MONTONEROS, DUE TO THE LOSS OF WEAPONS AND BACKUP EQUIPMENT, HAVE DECIDED TO CONDUCT ATTACKS AGAINST THE SECURITY FORCES, AS WELL AS THE SECURITY FORCES OF THE DIFFERENT EMBASSIES WHO USE PORTABLE RADIO EQUIPMENT AND WEAPONS. THE PROBABLE TARGET AREAS WILL BE OLIVOS, MARTINEZ, VICENTE LOPEZ, ASCASSUSO AND BECAR, INASMUCH AS MOST OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS RESIDE IN THOSE AREAS. IT IS FELT THAT ATTACKS AGAINST INDIVIDUALS WILL BRING ABOUT FRICTION BETWEEN THE GOA AND THE DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY. THE EXTREMEIST GROUPS HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO KILL THE SELECTED INDIVIDUAL AND TO TAKE RADIO EQUIPMENT AND WEAPONS, TRYING TO AVOID CONFRONTATION WITH THE POLICE AND THE ARMED FORCES. THE MONTONEROS HAVE DECIDED TO SEND PERSONS POSING AS SALESMEN TO THE RESIDENCES, OSTENSIBLY TO SELL ARTICLES FOR THE HOME AND THUS GAIN ENTRANCE TO THE RESIDENCE TO ACHIEVE THEIR AIMS.

2. THE AGENCY PROVIDING CUSTODIA FOR THE PROTECTION OF EMBASSY HOMES HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE THREAT DESCRIBED ABOVE. SECTION CHIEFS WILL BE INFORMED OF THE THREAT AND REQUESTED TO ADVISE U.S. MEMBERS OF THEIR SECTIONS. SOURCE ADVISED THAT THE REPORTED INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED BY HIM FROM CAPTURED ERP/MONTERO DOCUMENTS WHICH HAD PASSED THROUGH HIS HANDS BETWEEN 5 AND 7

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AUGUST 1976. HE DID NOT SUPPLY ANY INFORMATION AS TO HOW CURRENT

THE DESCRIBED PLAN IS. THE MILITARY AND OTHER ARGENTINE
SECURITY FORCES HAVE ACHIEVED SOME SUCCESS AGAINST THE TERRORIST
ELEMENTS. AS A RESULT OF THIS SUCCESS, LARGE QUANTITIES OF
TERRORIST DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN SEIZED.
THE MATERIAL FURNISHED WAS APPARENTLY A PRODUCT OF REVIEW OF
SOME OF THESE DOCUMENTS.
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